

MINUTES
MASSACHUSETTS AFL/CIO
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 25, 1988
SEACREST HOTEL, FALMOUTH, MASS.

PRESENT: Pres. Osborn, Sec.-Treas. Haynes, Exec. Vice Presidents Lydon, Evers and Faherty, Vice Presidents Burke, Chigas, Ciejka, Collins, Dart, Farmer, Ferris, Joyce, Leahy, LeBlanc, Lima, Ollivierre, Phinney, Romano, Simmons, Thomas, Thompson, Toland, Walsh

ABSENT: Vice Presidents Abdow (u.b.), Alman, Butler, Chirillo (u.b.) Conley (u.b.), DeRosa (u.b.), Devlin (u.b.), Ferin (u.b.), Foley, Irvin (u.b.), Kamel, Kerr, Mahar, McDevitt, Mills, Mullane, Williams

Meeting opened with a prayer by Vice Pres. Phinney.

MMS to accept the minutes of the April Executive Council meeting. So voted.

Pres. Osborn thanked the Executive Officers for encouraging people to attend the Council meetings.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Pres. advised he has been very busy over the past month and outlined his activities:

- Attended "Bread and Roses" painting dedication in Lawrence
The unions raised \$16,000 to buy the painting.
- Attended AFGE nationwide conference in Boston
- Spoke at the MFT convention
- Spoke at MTA (non-AFL/CIO group) convention on the prevailing wage.
- Led delegation to Teamsters conference in Shrewsbury on prevailing wage.
- Went to Pittsfield to give presentation on prevailing wage. V.P. Butler was deeply appreciative of his attending. The President swore in Ralph Froio, Retiree Distict Coordinator.
- Worked on the Harvard/AFSCME drive which ended in a great victory.

President Osborn discussed the Democratic caucus on the following Saturday. He urged all to attend the Democratic Convention on June 11th. He advised there would be a coffee and danish reception at 8:00 A.M. that day. The video on prevailing wage will be highlighted. The Governor has agreed to help on the prevailing wage issue by doing a video for t.v.

The President expressed his concern that all the unions had not appointed a coordinator for the prevailing wage campaign. He asked the assistance of the Council members on this.

- Pres. Osborn met with Rep. Voke, Marty Foley and Peter diCicco on the budget, and more specifically, how it affects the ISP and Dislocated Workers Program. Discussion took place on the Dislocated Workers Program, its present function and the proposed changes. The Workplace Education situation was also discussed.

Exec V.P. Faherty asked if the Secretary of Labor had any input on the budget as it pertains to the ISP? The President answered that he understood that the Secretary's staff is working on it by contacting people. Pres. Osborn explained that he, himself, had received only a fact sheet, no cover letter, and when he met with the Governor on the Shipyard situation, he told the Governor that the Mass. AFL/CIO supported the ISP in its present form; at that time Paul Eustace, who was also present, voiced his support also.

V.P. Ferris advised that he had received a call from Paul Eustace's office asking him to contact Sen. McGovern to urge support of our position.

V.P. Thomas advised that she had heard through the Women's budget committee that there were overlapping services between ISP and Dislocated Workers Program and it was going to be continued within the DES. Also, at the meeting she attended there was no complaint on this happening.

Vice Presidents LeBlanc and Thompson advised they had received fact sheets also. Brother Thompson received a follow-up call from someone from the Secretary of Labor's office and he then called and left word at Lemanski's office of his deep concern that the ISP be continued the way it is at present.

Sec.-Treas. Haynes advised that there is a serious communication problem with the Secretary of Labor's office and the AFL/CIO. He reiterated that there was no cover letter on the budget sheet.

Pres. Osborn explained the situation with the DES. Since he had received no concrete directions, he had deep concern and called the Executive Officers together on it. He sent a letter to the Secretary of Labor offering our assistance and asking for direction. Subsequently, he met with the Governor and made his intent and that of the Council very clear that we supported keeping this ISP under the Secretary of Labor as in H.1. He advised he is now awaiting word from the Secretary of Labor.

V.P. LeBlanc suggested to Pres. Osborn that he talk to Paul Eustace at the Gompers-Murray-Meany conference this week.

MMS to accept the President's report. So voted.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Dir. Foley reported that the budget is now on the floor and he foresees problems with cutbacks on several accounts. He advised that one of the areas heavily hit is Labor and Industries. He advised that the budget could very well be out of the House by the end of the week.

Another area heavily cut, Dir. Foley advised, was Workers Comp. The delays in handling the cases are inceasing, not only in Boston but in the outlying communities. He advised he expects things to get worse since there is no supplemental budget thus far. Some money that was appropriated was never spent, but was returned back to Administration and Finance. This, in his opinion, is illegal. With the new budget there were 23 support positions, which have been cut. The new judges will go on, but the resources they will need to function will not be there. This is a serious problem.

Dir. Foley advised that only 18 pieces of legislation have been signed into law thus far this year. This is because so much time has gone into the budget. He said he does not expect much action between now and mid July, and the Committee Chairman has been considering shutting down the session in July. The issues that our unions are concerned with will be held up. These are: Blue Laws, Drug Testing Procedure, Redrafting of the old Child Labor laws.

Dir. Foley made note of the Mass. AFL/CIO "Labor Leader" newspaper, which lists all the Legislative bills that are currently being handled.

Dir. Foley reminded everyone of the upcoming COPE endorsement meeting at the Park Plaza Hotel, June 16th at 1:30 P.M. He asked everyone to get names of candidates to the Mass. AFL/CIO office as soon as possible so that we can pull the voting records of those names submitted.

Sec.-Treas. Haynes asked if there is a section at the bottom of the voting record for comments. Dir. Foley answered 'yes' and if all the comments will not fit, then you should choose the most significant ones.

Discussion took place on the budget, the lack of a supplemental budget and what could be expected in January. Exec. Vice Presidents Lydon and Faherty gave their views and Brother Faherty asked where the projected revenue growth would come from since the unemployment rate is only about 3%. Dir. Foley said it would come from the new sales tax on tobacco and cigarettes, along with the surplus monies from the bottle bill deposits.

MMS to accept the Legislative Report. So voted.

SECRETARY-TREASURERS REPORT

Finance report noted.

Sec.-Treas. Haynes briefly discussed the per capita revenue and reviewed each item on the report.

He noted that the pension plan is being brought up to date.

Sec.-Treas. Haynes asked if anyone had question.

V.P. Thomas asked an explanation of an item concerning paying taxes to the City of Boston. The Secretary-Treasurer explained this concerned the Building at 44 Temple Place and he would make a complete report on this later in the meeting.

MMS to accept the Finance Report of the Secretary-Treasurer. So voted.

Sec.-Treas. Haynes gave a brief report on the status of the building at 44 Temple Place. A purchase and sales agreement has been signed; there is a question on a penalty of \$38,000 for getting out of the IRB before the 5 years. The client is working with the bank on assuming the IRB. Sec.-Treas. Haynes said his hope is to break even.

V.P. LeBlanc asked if the Council did break even, would there be money reverted to the Council. Sec.-Treas. Haynes answered that certain bills have been incurred, such as the insurance on the building, and these amounts have been built into the price of the building. He advised he hopes to pay off all the bills and come out even in the end.

Sec.-Treas. discussed the golf tournament, as it will go on this year at Gompers-Murray-Meany, and his plans for the future. These plans include increasing the number of sponsors so that any money made will go to the Scholarship Program to help out young people. He reported that the Carpenters Union Bank paid \$1,000 for the prizes for this year's tournament.

Sec.-Treas. Haynes reported that he has been appointed as a Trustee to the University of Mass., Boston. He explained that there is good reason for union people to be involved in the area of education and cited an example. He learned recently that a telecommunications system was being considered by U.Mass. in the amounts of 50 to 75 million dollars, and that it was being proposed that a foreign concern be employed. He managed to get it into the specs that local labor be used at the prevailing wage.

Sec.-Treas. Haynes reported on his speaking engagements over the past month:

- Stewards Dinner at SEIU 509
- Electricians Local 103 - spoke at Young Workers Night
- Hosted the May 4th Educational Seminar at IBEW 103 hall

MMS to accept the Secretary-Treasurer's Activity Report. So voted.

Pres. Osborn discussed the Council's representation on the various Trustee Boards of colleges, and said he was pleased that Sec.-Treas. Haynes had finally been appointed to the U. Mass. Board.

MMS to have a reception in honor of Sec.-Treas. Haynes' appointment to the Board of Trustees, University of Mass., Boston. So voted.

Pres. Osborn recommended inviting the Education Committee, Labor Trustees, Vice Presidents, Chancellor Jennifer and others to the above reception.

V.P. Joyce voiced his opinion that there should be more participation in the Education Conference. He said he felt that some of the appropriate people were not present. He said he hoped this would be remedied in the future.

Exec. V.P. Faherty advised that the same people attend all the various conferences/seminars. He suggested that if a Vice President cannot attend a conference because of his schedule, that he send a representative.

Pres. Osborn advised that the Education Committee is worked to its capacity on the seminars and said the intent was good. Pres. Osborn discussed the feasibility of a Labor Day Parade. After much discussion, the attitude of the Board seemed to be that it was too late in the year to plan such an event and have it be a great success.

V.P. Don Leahy and Joe Joyce suggested that an alternative to those unions who wanted to participate in a parade this year would be to march in the City of Marlboro Labor Day Parade. They advised that this parade commands a lot of media coverage and is very well attended.

V.P. Ferris advised that the city of Lawrence has a "Bread and Roses" Parade.

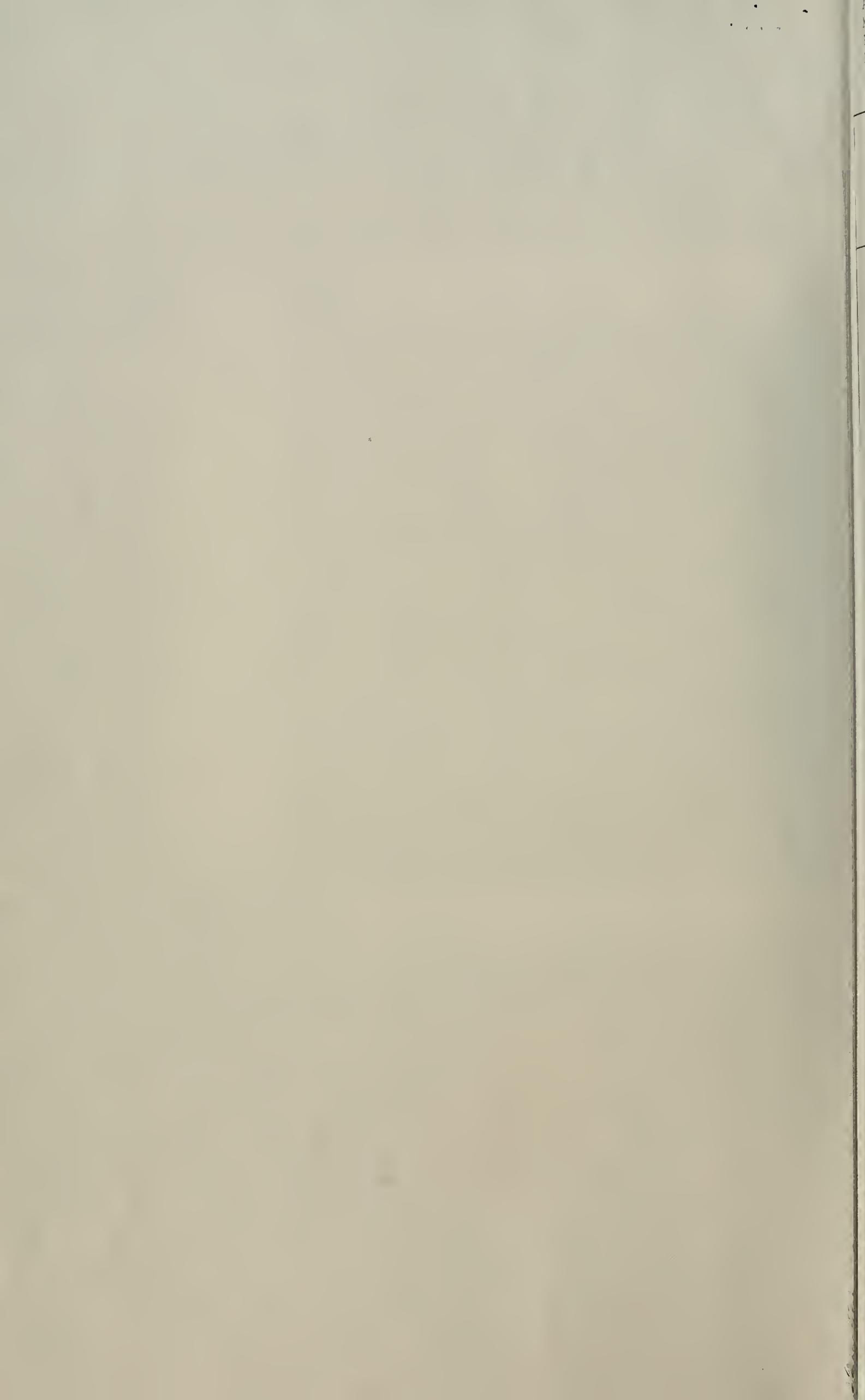
Pres. Osborn advised he will refer this matter to the Executive Officers and a mailing will go out on the outcome.

Exec. V.P. Faherty reminded everyone of the Irish/American Coalition Dinner on June 9th, honorees are Tom Donahue, National AFL/CIO Secretary-Treasurer; Senator Ted Kennedy; and Vice President Joseph Joyce.

Pres. Osborn advised the Council that he has been contacted by the Ted Kennedy Campaign Committee to do what he could to have union people sponsor house parties for Ted Kennedy as fundraisers. Although the Senator could not be present at these parties because of his schedule, a video would be provided on which he would give a message to the people. He asked that anyone interested get in touch with him at his office.

MMS to adjourn the meeting.

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AGENDA

MASSACHUSETTS AFL/CIO COUNCIL

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MAY 25, 1988

SEA CREST HOTEL, FALMOUTH, MA

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT

DEPARTMENT REPORTS - COPE & LEGISLATION - EDUCATION

COMMUNICATIONS

From Thomas Climo, Pres. Local 1660 to Pres. Osborn re: recent closing of Amstar's Boston sugar refining operation leaving him unemployed - resume enclosed.

From Chet Atkins to Pres. Osborn thanking him for the hard work during the April Democratic events.

Copy of a letter sent to Governor Dukakis from the Mass. Shipbuilders, Inc. asking for direction for the scheduled meeting with senior Administration officials on May 19.

From James T. Golden, Int'l Rep for the Sheet Metal Workers' International Assoc. to Pres. Osborn to indicate his attendance for the I.A.Q. workshop on May 25 in Falmouth.

From William O. Taylor, Boston Globe to Pres. Osborn - he sent letter and enclosure to Marty Nolan and he will set up a meeting.

Copy of a letter sent to Jonathan Souweine, Esq. from Rep. Magnani congratulating him on his appointment to the MWRA Board of Directors and also as Chair of the Special Commission on Employee Involvement and Ownership he expedite the process of making available the property to the Quincy Shipyard.

From Bill Meserve, Pres. Local 14 United Paperworkers Int'l Union to the Mass. AFL/CIO asking for assistance by formally joining a Paperworkers' Solidarity Committee.

From Norman P. LeBlanc to Pres. Osborn re: copies of letters sent to the board members of Anheuser-Bush Co. - letters also enclosed.

From Paul Tracy, President Local 948 NCFLL AFGE to Pres. Osborn thanking him for welcoming the Council officers. He also explained their continuing support of the Hatch Act and oppose attacks against the prevailing wage laws.

From John Coughlin, Director, Blue Cross/Blue Shield thanking him for the kind words about BC/BS at IBEW 1505's Stewards Conf.

Copy of a letter sent to Hamel Publishing Co., Inc. from Ted H. Jacobsen, Sec. of the Council of New York City CLC explaining that they do not respond to any invitations or forms without a union label on it.

From Paul Eustace to Pres. Osborn regarding letter of request for a meeting with the Governor - he has contacted the scheduling secretary and they are working on a date.

From Lane Kirkland, Pres. AFL/CIO to Pres. Osborn inviting him to the May 11 "Union Yes" national campaign launch.

From Robert Spinney, Chairman Health & Safety Committee to Pres. Osborn re: continuing the funding of the "Working Women's Health Project".

From Nancy Mills asking for support for the 1988 Debs-Thomas-Bernstein Award honoring Lew Finfer, Judy Meredith, Chuck Turner and Michael Harrington. This award is given by the Boston Democratic Socialists of America.

A letter and program from Padraig o'Malley Editor New England Journal of Public Policy.

Memorandum from Jordan L. Biscano/U Way and a roster of cities and staff who reported that they had Labor Loaned Executive Programs in 1987.

Sample mailgram from Lane Kirkland urging support for the conference report of H.R. 3, the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act.

Flyer from MassCOSH re: Preventing Carpal Tunnel Syndrome and Repetitive Motion Injuries of the hand, wrist, elbow and shoulder.

From the American Jewish Committee to Pres. Osborn re: invitation to attend a cocktail reception honoring Ron Druker.

Invitation to the United Way for an orientation which will review UW of Mass. Bay's recent histroy of success and our goals for future service to the Greater Boston area.

Mailgram to F. Myers from the Mass. AFL/CIO confirming the copy of the message sent to John F. Kerry on H.R. 3.

Confirmation of the message sent to Sen. Edward Kennedy re: H.R., 3.

From Boston Bank of Commerce to Pres. Osborn announcing the 61st Annual Convention.

Flyer announcing a Frontlash Sock-Hop - Saturday, June 25th.

From Karen Ignagni, Assoc. Dir. of Dept. of Occupational Safety, AFL/CIO re: postponing the teleconference on Retiree Health Care Benefits and rescheduling it for scheduling.

Memo from Jordan Biscardo re: Aids Teleconference.

From Dave Cowens to Pres. Osborn thanking him for past and continued support on their efforts for the Sports Museum.

From Cong. Markey to Pres. Osborn thanking him for contacting him on concerns and changes in the Federal Aviation Administration regulations.

From Chester Atkins to Pres. Osborn re: air safety and telephone numbers to contact if safety violations are being committed.

Executive Officers Meeting
May 5, 1988

MMS To take the same action as last year on ad for the Democratic State Committee. So voted.

MMS to take the same action as in the past for the USO Council. So voted.

MMS to request information from GBLC re: the Neighborhood Stabilization Bill. So voted.

MMS to refer the letter - U.S. Committee to Support Free Elections in Chili. So voted.

MMS to buy one ticket to the USO Airport Center Reception and send a letter of regret. So voted.

MMS to purchase two tables for the Irish American Labor Coalition Award Dinner. So voted.

MASSACHUSETTS AFL/CIO

FINANCIAL REPORT

APRIL 1988

<u>GENERAL FUND</u>	<u>CREDITS</u>	<u>DEBITS</u>
On hand April 1, 1988	\$43,838.83	
RECEIPTS FOR APRIL		
Per-Capita Tax	91,299.48	
Golf Tournament	1,000.00	
Misc	780.49	
	<hr/> \$93,079.97	
DISBURSEMENTS:	General	\$27,816.40
	Payroll	29,675.37
		<hr/> \$57,491.77
BALANCE - April 30, 1988	\$79,427.03	

SUMMARY OF DISBURSEMENTS:

1. Secretary-Treasurer Expenses	317.60
2. Legislative Director Expenses	310.00
3. Executive Board Expenses	906.83
4. Tickets	125.00
5. Telephone	264.50
6. Office Expenses	180.85
7. Office Supplies	854.12
8. Boston Edison	58.02
9. Postage & Mail	3,000.00
10. Newsletter	400.00
11. Auto Expenses	481.44
12. Conferences & Conventions	3,062.73
13. Rent	2,500.00
14. Blue Cross/Blue Shield	2,046.89
15. Office Equipment	2,729.97
16. Frontlash	1,067.84
17. Life Insurance	175.25
18. Secretary's Day	200.00
19. Credit Union	3,904.60
20. City of Boston - Property Taxes	256.67
21. Messenger Service	15.30
22. Golf Tournament - Hats/Shirts	1,400.50
23. Scholarship Expenses	851.57
24. Attorney's Retainer	500.00
25. Staff Expenses	223.63
26. Petty Cash	98.50
27. Retiree's (To be refunded)	740.28
28. ADP Payroll Services	149.00
29. Disability Insurance	595.31
30. Breakfast Meeting	90.00
32. Miscellaneous	210.00

\$27,816.40

PER-CAPITA TAX RECEIVED ON - 260,856 members.

ASSETS:

Boston Safe Deposit	\$7,406.69
State of Israel Bond	1,000.00
Dept. of Labor	400.00
Petty Cash	100.00
Money Market	4,490.39
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	\$13,397.08

VOTER REGISTRATION FUND:CREDITSDEBITS

On hand April	\$65,342.14
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DISBURSEMENTS:

1. Staff Expenses	348.85
2. Tickets & Donations	3,200.00
3. Delegates Meetings	1,905.19
4. Data Processing	226.15
5. Computerized Lists & Labels	400.00
6. Banner Research - 1st payment COPE POLL...	7,000.00
7. Political Poll Analysis	1,000.00
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	\$14,080.19

Balance April 30, 1988	\$51,261.95
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BENEFIT PLAN:

On Hand April 1, 1988	\$12,598.25
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Paid to Benefit Plan	\$10,000.00
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Balance April 30, 1988	\$ 2,598.25
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Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Friday, April 22, 1988

8:00 - Barry Bluestone

Saturday, April 23, 1988

National Delegate Selection

Sunday, April 24, 1988

Labor Guild Breakfast

Monday, April 25, 1988

9:00 - Bob Lund & Hal

10:00 - Building - L. Goodman

P.M. - Pittsfield CLC Prev. Wage.

Tuesday, April 26, 1988

A.M. - Recommendation letters for Emspak Grant

4:00 - Paul Eustace

Wednesday, April 27, 1988

8:30 - Jim Green - U/Mass

10:00 - address Women's Committee

Thursday, April 28, 1988

10:00 - Finance Committee - Lou Mandarini

Friday, April 29, 1988

9:00 - Dave Pollard

10:00 - Apt. Mr. Wong

6:00 - Kennedy Library - Scholarship Dinner

Monday, May 2, 1988

9:00 - Bob Spinney

12:00 - University of Lowell

Wednesday, May 4, 1988

Education Seminar - IBEW 103

all day

7:15 IW - John Mullin - COPE

Thursday, May 5, 1988

10:00 - Exec. Officers Mtg.

12:00 - Susanne Bump

Friday, May 6, 1988

12:00 - Ann Weatherhead

4:00 - Paul Eustace

Monday, May 9, 1988

10:00 - Operating Engineers - Canton

P.M. - MassCOSH Open House

Wednesday, May 11, 1988

9:30 - EOL Educ. Seminar debriefing

6:00 - GBLC Exec. Board Dinner

Thursday, May 12, 1988

11:30 - COPE Endorsement Mtg. - Park Plaza
3:00 - Marty Burke
5:30 - HUCTW - Cambridge - Baptist Church

Friday, May 13, 1988

A.M. - Northampton
1:30 - Ken Lyons - Pier 4

Saturday, May 14, 1988

A.M. - IBEW 103 - Young Voters

Monday, May 16, 1988

8:30 - Jim Mac Partland
1:00 - Bronwen Zwirner
3:00 - Larry DiCara
6:30 - Demo St. Comm.
8:00 - Labor Guild

Tuesday, May 17, 1988

10:00 - Education Committee
1:00 - MBCC Mtg. Wellesley
SEIU 509 - Prev. Wage

Wednesday, May 18, 1988

BTU in service History
11:00 - Giro, Art
11:30 - Candy Brown
2:00 - JTPA - Paul Eustace - Giro & Arthur

Thursday, May 19, 1988

10:00 - U Way photos
1:30 - Zelda Gosman - U/Mass
7:00 - Ward Committee Mtg.

Friday, May 20, 1988

Leg. Conferencs - Massisoit College - Brockton CLC

Saturday, May 21, 1988

Pre Convention Mtg. - TLC
Monday, May 23, 1988

4:40 - Mass Jobs Council Mtg.



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TO: ARTHUR R. OSBORN, PRES. DATE: 5/13/88
ROBERT J. HAYNES, SEC.-TREAS.
FROM: JOHN LAUGHLIN *pt.*
RE: FUNDRAISING FOR AFSCME/HUCTW NEWSPAPER ADS

The following is a list of contributors and amounts as of May 10, 1988:

LAWRENCE HAVERHILL C.L.C.	\$ 200
SEIU LOCAL 509	100
IBEW LOCAL 103	200
AMERICAN POSTAL WORKERS	200
UAW REGION 9a	200
USWA LOCAL 2431	50
PAINTERS D.C. 35	200
UWUA	25
AFL/CIO	500
NABET LOCAL 15	25
BTU	250
CARPENTRS D.C.	200
BOSTON BLDG. & CONSTRUC. TR.	100
IRONWORKERS	250
IUE D.C. 2	200
MTA	100
GLAZIERS	25
BCH - NOA	50
IBEW 2222	100
AEEF	50
NAT. WRITERS UNION	20
FEDERAL HOUSESTAFF	50

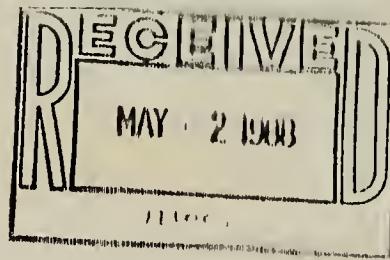
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OF FUND RAISER: Anthony's Pier 4, Boston

OF TICKET: \$ 100

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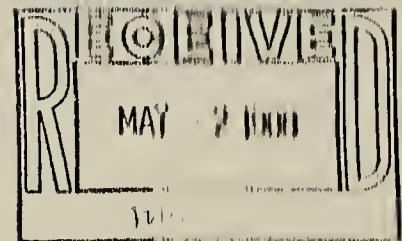
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Massachusetts Shipbuilders, Inc.

May 12, 1988

Honorable Michael S. Dukakis,
Governor,
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
State House
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Governor Dukakis:

We hardly wish to interrupt your activities within the Commonwealth and the Democratic nomination campaign with matters involving the Quincy shipyard. We have relied on our very positive February 12 meeting with you and your senior Administration associates, as well as our continued activities to bring about an early inauguration of the new employee owned shipyard.

We believe that our efforts alone, in dialogue with your officials are insufficient to prompt them to take the necessary steps to assist in bringing about this major Labor Initiative. Specifically in the single meeting we have had with your officials since February 12, we have been proposed an unworkable plan based on a 2 year licensed use of a portion of the shipyard with no definition as to our title to the equipment. Our financial advisors have told us that private financing of working capital for such a scheme is impossible. Your officials have intimated that their scheme is the result of their negotiations with the MWRA.

What has become of the longstanding plan to secure from the Legislature the approval of a lease, or lease-purchase by MIFA and or the Land Bank with back to back lease to the Shipbuilders. After all this time, exactly nine months to the day that MWRA informed the Public that they were buying the entire shipyard property, we have no solution in sight. We have indeed gone backwards instead of forwards.

We are scheduled to meet again with senior Administration officials May 19. It would appear however that without your stimulation, the Administration will lose this most important Labor Initiative in the manufacturing sector. We have come to the critical point in this matter of Public importance, and we request your direction.

Yours very truly

Massachusetts Shipbuilders Inc

Peter J. Gwyn
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Chairman,

Antonio Svizzero
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New England Region Director
Shipbuilders Union

Arthur Durand
Arthur Durand
Executive Secretary
Local 5 IUMSWA

CC Senator Edward M. Kennedy

Senator Paul Harold

Mr. Arthur Osborne Massachusetts AFL CIO

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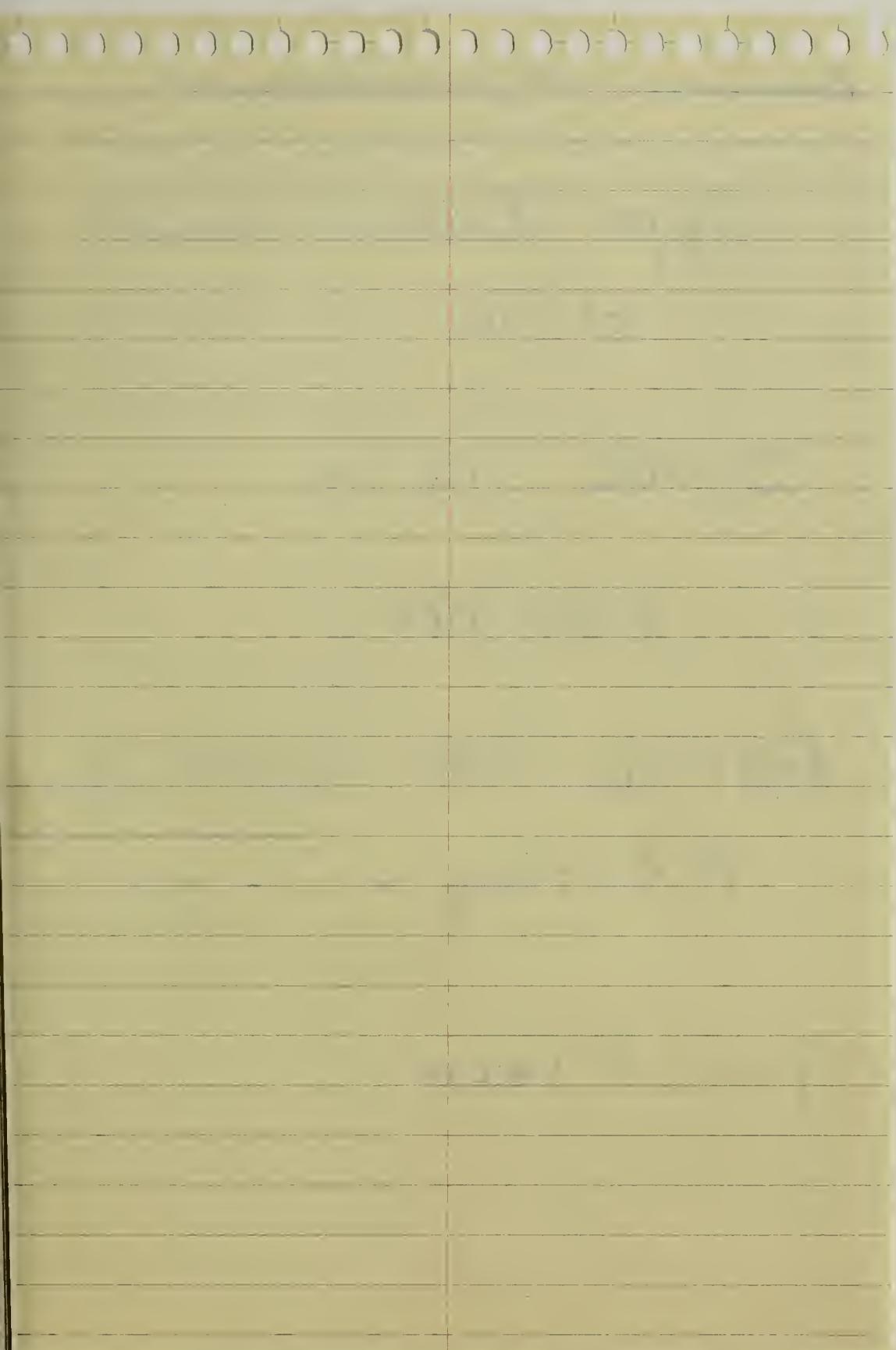
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JUNE 16 -

1:30 PM

Following The Council
Meeting.

Park Plaza



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May 20, 1988

Commissioner Joel Pressman
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Dear Joel:

I have received information from the Workers' Compensation (W.C.) Advisory Council, that most of the money that was appropriated (much of which will be paid for by an assessment on employers) by Chapter 691 of the Acts of 1987, to provide additional staff for the Department of Industrial Accidents (DIA) to address the remaining problem of the backlogged cases, as well as the influx of Post Reform Law cases has not been spent; and may, in fact, revert to the coffers of the Commonwealth in order to offset the state's anticipated budget deficit.

If this information is correct and the Department is, in fact, taking this course of action, I am personally disturbed, and we will strenuously resist it because the employer money is supposed to be in a Dedicated Trust to fund the DIA.

When AIM originally agreed to the concept of an employer-funded Trust Fund via an identifiable assessment, the money generated for it was to be used to fund the new administratively-driven Department. The assessment on employers has very generously met that purpose as the Department's budget has gone from less than \$3 million to more than \$12 million in less than three years, and the number of its employees has more than doubled. During deliberations on the Reform Law, the Legislature greatly expanded the Trust Fund concept by adding a number of benefit-related programs to it, which will mean an additional \$12 million cost shift directly to employers during the coming year, rather than buried in actuarial premium assumptions. It was agreed, the employer funds would only be used for their intended purpose.

An important part of the agreement on Chapter 691 was for the employer paid Special Fund, to assume the burden (\$605,000) of providing additional personnel to address the influx of Post Reform Law cases. It is my understanding that this entire amount will, in fact, be assessed to employers, but that most of it has not been made available to the DIA and may, in fact, revert to the state to help offset the budget deficit. I would like to point out that the Chapter 691 appropriation language, reinforces the original fund agreement by making it clear that only "the amount expended under this item which is to be as reimbursed may be added to the Special Fund." Obviously by using this language, the Legislature made it clear that



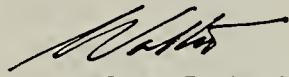
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it only intended the money that is actually spent by the DIA to be assessed onto employers. This situation is a very important and embarrassing one for the state which is in the position of backing out of a good faith agreement, and it must be resolved at the earliest possible date.

Chapter 691 was a carefully crafted piece of legislation in which the state also agreed to assume the burden of funding (\$343,000) for new temporary judges and support staff to finally eliminate the 10,000 case backlog which was created in large part due the chronic state underfunding of the old Industrial Accident Board. It is my understanding that now, nearly six months after the passage of Chapter 691, most of the money has not yet been allocated, and staff has yet to be hired to do this very important task. How long does the state expect employees and employers (some who have been waiting years to have their cases heard) to wait before the funds are made available for this project?

In conclusion, employers have every right to be extremely upset if the clear intent of Chapter 691 is controverted, and even one dime of their assessment money is used for any purpose other than the funding of the state's W.C. system. To first contemplate assessing employers \$605,000, then not use that money for the important purpose intended, and finally, use the funds as part of a deficit reduction strategy is totally unacceptable. I look forward to hearing from you on these matters in the near future.

Sincerely,



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President

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DATE: April 28, 1989

TO: Robert J. Haynes, Secretary-Treasurer MASS/AFL-CIO
FROM: William J. Foley, Director, District One
SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING - WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 1989

With regard to the above and your letter dated April 27th, this is to notify you that I will be unable to attend this meeting inasmuch as I will be out of the area attending a Steelworkers Conference.

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